

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COMMISSION MEETING
JULY 28, 2003**

The City of Leesburg Commission held a regular meeting Monday, July 28, 2003, in the Commission Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Connelly called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. with the following members present:

Commissioner David Knowles
Commissioner Bob Lovell
Commissioner Ben Perry
Commissioner Lewis Puckett
Mayor David Connelly

Also present were City Manager (CM) Ron Stock, Acting City Clerk (ACC) Betty Richardson, City Attorney (CA) Fred Morrison, the news media, and others.

Reverend Wayne Dixon, St. Paul AME Church, gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**APPROVED CITY COMMISSION MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD
JULY 14, 2003**

Commissioner Puckett moved to approve the City Commission minutes of the regular meeting held July 14, 2003. Commissioner Knowles seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

PROCLAMATIONS:

Mayor Connelly proclaimed August 3, 2003 as National KidsDay by reading the proclamation in its entirety.

Mayor Connelly proclaimed August 5, 2003 as National Night Out by reading the proclamation in its entirety.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Pulled from Agenda - Consent B5 – Contract with Ocala Coca Cola Bottling Company

Pulled for discussion - Consent B2 – Contract with Harvard Jolly Clees Toppe, Architects, P.A.

Commissioner Puckett moved to adopt the Consent Agenda except for B2 and B5 and Commissioner Knowles seconded the motion. The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Lovell	Yea
Commissioner Perry	Yea
Commissioner Puckett	Yea
Commissioner Knowles	Yea
Mayor Connelly	Yea

Five yeas, no nays, the Commission adopted the Consent Agenda, as follows:

PURCHASING ITEMS:

1. 03-FB-51 Construct concession, maintenance building awarded to Mark Cook Builders, Inc. for \$329,013.00

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2. Purchase Gas Modeling and System Planning Software awarded to Avantica for \$33,000.00

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION 6851

A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a contract with Mark Cook Builders, Inc. for construction of the concession and equipment storage buildings at the Sleepy Hollow Recreation Complex for \$329,013.00, pursuant to bid #03-FB-51; and providing an effective date.

RESOLUTION 6852

A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an agreement between the City of Leesburg and Electric Services, Inc. for electrical contractor services, pursuant to bid #03-RFP-007; and providing an effective date.

RESOLUTION 6853

A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a contract amendment between the City of Leesburg and Mark Cook Builders, Inc. for the construction of improvements for Johns Avenue Stormwater Park for \$20,743.00; pursuant to bid #02-FB-92 and providing an effective date.

RESOLUTION 6854

A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an amendment to the agreement with [Post, Buckley, Schuh & Jernigan, Inc.](#) (PBS & J) to provide GASB-34 infrastructure asset valuation for \$7,440.00; and providing an effective date.

RESOLUTION 6855

A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an agreement between the City of Leesburg and Vincent Denimarck for T-Hangar #1 at Leesburg Regional Airport; and providing an effective date.

RESOLUTION 6856

A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an agreement between the City of Leesburg and Melinda Simmons for T-Hangar #2 at Leesburg Regional Airport; and providing an effective date.

RESOLUTION 6857

A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an agreement between the City of Leesburg and Neil Fischer for T-Hangar #7 at Leesburg Regional Airport; and providing an effective date.

RESOLUTION 6858

A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an agreement between the City of Leesburg and Roland Gibson for T-Hangar #8 at Leesburg Regional Airport; and providing an effective date.

RESOLUTION 6859

A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an agreement between the City of Leesburg and Lewis Bell for T-Hangar #9 at Leesburg Regional Airport; and providing an effective date.

RESOLUTION 6860

A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an agreement between the City of Leesburg and Peter J. Finch for T-Hangar #10 at Leesburg Regional Airport; and providing an effective date.

RESOLUTION 6861

A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an agreement between the City of Leesburg and Lewis Bell for T-Hangar #11 at Leesburg Regional Airport; and providing an effective date.

RESOLUTION 6862

A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an agreement between the City of Leesburg and Bruce Chivers for T-Hangar #14 at Leesburg Regional Airport; and providing an effective date.

RESOLUTION 6863

A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an agreement between the City of Leesburg and Ken P. Ksionek for T-Hangar #17 at Leesburg Regional Airport; and providing an effective date.

RESOLUTION 6864

A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an agreement between the City of Leesburg and Charles Weller for T-Hangar #19 at Leesburg Regional Airport; and providing an effective date.

RESOLUTION 6865

A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an agreement between the City of Leesburg and Robert S. Brown for T-Hangar #20 at Leesburg Regional Airport; and providing an effective date.

RESOLUTION 6866

A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, authorizing the City Manager to execute an engagement letter between the City of Leesburg and Kirkpatrick Pettis; and providing an effective date.

RESOLUTION 6867

A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to approve and execute a professional services agreement between the City of Leesburg and Lake County Consulting Inc.; and providing an effective date.

RESOLUTION 6868

A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to approve an agreement to purchase lot 88 of the Villages of Lake Pointe; and providing an effective date.

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RESOLUTION 6869

A resolution of the City of Leesburg, Florida, accepting and approving a plat of the Village at Lake Pointe subdivision, a subdivision in an R-1-A (single family residential) district, within the City of Leesburg, Florida, generally located at the northwest corner of the intersection of Sleepy Hollow Road and Sunnyside Drive, lying in Section 29, Township 19 south, Range 25 east; and accepting and dedicating to the use of the public the streets and public places contained therein; and providing an effective date.

RESOLUTION 6870

A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, authorizing the mayor and City Clerk to execute an interlocal agreement with the City of Ocala, Florida to provide Customs inspection services to the Leesburg Regional Airport, and providing an effective date.

RESOLUTION 6871

A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an agreement with The Villages of Lake-Sumter, Inc., to provide reimbursement for use of customs inspection services at the Leesburg Regional Airport, and providing an effective date.

OTHER AGENDA ITEMS:

Curfew Waiver request for Skateworld for August 8, 2003, October 31, 2003, December 31, 2003, and February 13, 2004

DENIED RESOLUTION 6874 AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH HARVARD JOLLY CLEES TOPPE, ARCHITECTS, P.A. TO PERFORM A CURSORY EVALUATION OF THE EXISTING ARTS BUILDING ON THE PROPOSED LIBRARY SITE

Commissioner Puckett introduced the resolution to be read by title only. ACC Richardson read the resolution, as follows:

A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the first amendment to the agreement with Harvard Jolly Clees Toppe, Architects, P.A. for additional services to perform a cursory evaluation of the existing Arts Building on the currently proposed Library site; and providing an effective date.

Commissioners Perry and Puckett expressed concern about spending \$12,300 for a cursory review of a precast concrete building that is not conducive to remodeling, not an historic building, and has many code problems. Commissioner Perry said he is very familiar with the building and is 100% certain the architect will report the City will have to make too many compromises and it is not feasible to remodel the building. Commissioners Perry and Puckett recommended not spending the money for the architect.

Commissioner Knowles said a 10,000 sq ft. building may have some value and would like the architect to perform the evaluation. He does not want the City to lose another building with some historic significance. Commissioner Knowles said the Partnership spent considerable funds on upgrading the building.

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Commissioner Knowles moved to approve the resolution and Commissioner Lovell seconded the motion. The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Perry	Nay
Commissioner Puckett	Nay
Commissioner Knowles	Yea
Commissioner Lovell	Yea
Mayor Connelly	Nay

Three nays, two yeas, the Commission denied approval of the resolution.

PULLED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT WITH Ocala COCA-COLA BOTTLING COMPANY FOR PURCHASE OF SCOREBOARDS FOR SLEEPY HOLLOW RECREATION COMPLEX – AND APPROVED PREPARATION OF A CONTRACT WITH LEESBURG HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB TO PROVIDE SCOREBOARDS

CM Stock advised staff forwarded a letter from Chuck Johnson regarding this item to the Commission Friday. In the letter, Mr. Johnson requested the opportunity to raise the money to put up the scoreboards at Sleepy Hollow. He advised the proposed agreement with Ocala Coca-Cola Bottling Company will have an extremely detrimental effect on the fundraising efforts of the Leesburg High School Athletic Booster Club and the Sunrise Kiwanis Club.

Mr. Johnson, representing the High School Athletic Booster Club, advised the Commission of his proposal for a contract between the Booster Club and Leesburg for the scoreboards. He stated he has \$30,000 committed for the project and has negotiated with Daktronics to provide the scoreboards immediately. Daktronics will allow him to defer the payment of the balance over a five-year period, if necessary.

Commissioner Perry moved to have staff prepare a resolution to approve a contract with the Booster's Club to provide the scoreboards for Sleepy Hollow and Commissioner Puckett seconded the motion. The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Puckett	Yea
Commissioner Knowles	Yea
Commissioner Lovell	Yea
Commissioner Perry	Yea
Mayor Connelly	Yea

Five yeas, no nays, the Commission approved the motion.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

ADOPTED ORDINANCE 03-67 ACCEPTING TRUSTEE'S DEED FOR PROPERTY LOCATED IN SECTION 23-19-24 (ALICE T. GRAVES)

ACC Richardson read the ordinance by title only, as follows:

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An ordinance of the City of Leesburg, Florida, accepting a trustee's deed given by Alice T. Graves, as Trustee, as grantor, to the City of Leesburg, as grantee, pertaining to land located in Section 23, Township 19 South, Range 24 East, Lake County, Florida; and providing an effective date.

Commissioner Perry moved to adopt the ordinance and Commissioner Knowles seconded the motion. The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Knowles	Yea
Commissioner Lovell	Yea
Commissioner Perry	Yea
Commissioner Puckett	Yea
Mayor Connelly	Yea

Five yeas, no nays, the Commission adopted the ordinance.

ADOPTED ORDINANCE 03-68 EXTENDING THE EXPIRATION DATE FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE MUNICIPAL SERVICE TAXING UNIT (MSTU) ESTABLISHED BY LAKE COUNTY TO FUND AMBULANCE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

ACC Richardson read the ordinance by title only, as follows:

An ordinance of the City of Leesburg, Florida, extending the expiration date set by Ordinance No. 00-29 and later extended to September 30, 2003, for participation by the City of Leesburg in the Municipal Service Taxing Unit established by Lake County to fund ambulance and emergency medical services; providing for earlier termination of participation in the event of a change in the identify of the agency or entity providing these services or the occurrence of certain other events or conditions; and providing an effective date.

Commissioner Perry moved to adopt the ordinance and Commissioner Knowles seconded the motion. The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Lovell	Yea
Commissioner Perry	Yea
Commissioner Puckett	Yea
Commissioner Knowles	Yea
Mayor Connelly	Yea

Five yeas, no nays, the Commission adopted the ordinance.

ADOPTED ORDINANCE 03-69 AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2002-03 BUDGET FOR THE GAS FUND

ACC Richardson read the ordinance by title only, as follows:

An ordinance of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida amending the Fiscal Year 2002-03 budget for the Gas Fund, and providing an effective date.

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Commissioner Lovell moved to adopt the ordinance and Commissioner Knowles seconded the motion. The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Perry	Yea
Commissioner Puckett	Yea
Commissioner Knowles	Yea
Commissioner Lovell	Yea
Mayor Connelly	Yea

Five yeas, no nays, the Commission adopted the ordinance.

ADOPTED ORDINANCE 03-70 AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2002-03 BUDGET FOR THE CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND

ACC Richardson read the ordinance by title only, as follows:

An ordinance of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida amending the Fiscal Year 2002-03 budget for the Capital Projects Fund, and providing an effective

Commissioner Perry moved to adopt the ordinance and Commissioner Puckett seconded the motion. The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Knowles	Yea
Commissioner Lovell	Yea
Commissioner Perry	Yea
Commissioner Puckett	Yea
Mayor Connelly	Yea

Five yeas, no nays, the Commission adopted the ordinance.

ADOPTED ORDINANCE 03-71 AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2002-03 BUDGET FOR THE WASTEWATER FUND

ACC Richardson read the ordinance by title only, as follows:

An ordinance of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida amending the Fiscal Year 2002-03 budget for the Wastewater Fund, and providing an effective date.

Commissioner Perry moved to adopt the ordinance and Commissioner Knowles seconded the motion. The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Lovell	Yea
Commissioner Perry	Yea
Commissioner Puckett	Yea
Commissioner Knowles	Yea
Mayor Connelly	Yea

Five yeas, no nays, the Commission adopted the ordinance.

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ADOPTED ORDINANCE 03-72 AMENDING §28-7 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES PERTAINING TO DESIGN CRITERIA FOR STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

ACC Richardson read the ordinance by title only, as follows:

An ordinance of the City of Leesburg, Florida amending §28-7 of the Code of Ordinances pertaining to design criteria for stormwater management systems, adding subsection 28-7 (d) to the ordinance to require that stormwater retention ponds be constructed and configured so as to resemble as closely as possible a natural body of water or other natural element; specifying that the slope of a retention area shall not be greater than a 4:1 ratio to avoid fencing and other barriers surrounding the retention area; reserving unto the City the authority to reject site plans or other building or construction plans which do not meet the design criteria specified in the ordinance; repealing conflicting ordinances; providing a savings clause; and providing an effective date and for applicability to applications pending but not yet approved upon passage of this ordinance.

Commissioner Lovell moved to adopt the ordinance and Commissioner Knowles seconded the motion.

Commissioner Perry advised this ordinance prohibits unsightly retentions, but unfortunately it also discourages rectangular or square ponds. With building lots, houses, and parking places rectangular, it forces permutation of a rectangular retention pond and needs to be dealt with in a fair manner.

Commissioner Lovell said this will give the City some control on the configuration of the retention ponds.

The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Perry	Nay
Commissioner Puckett	Nay
Commissioner Knowles	Yea
Commissioner Lovell	Yea
Mayor Connelly	Yea

Three yeas, two nays, the Commission adopted the ordinance.

FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2002-03 BUDGET FOR THE WASTEWATER FUND

Commissioner Lovell introduced the ordinance to be read by title only. ACC Richardson read the ordinance, as follows:

An ordinance of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida amending the Fiscal Year 2002-03 budget for the Wastewater Fund, and providing an effective date.

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FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2002-03 BUDGET FOR THE GAS FUND

Commissioner Lovell introduced the ordinance to be read by title only. ACC Richardson read the ordinance, as follows:

An ordinance of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida amending the Fiscal Year 2002-03 budget for the Gas Fund, and providing an effective date.

FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING §4-42 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE T-HANGAR LEASES ON FORMS APPROVED BY RESOLUTION

Commissioner Lovell introduced the ordinance to be read by title only. ACC Richardson read the ordinance, as follows:

An ordinance of the City of Leesburg, Florida, amending §4-42 of the Code of Ordinances pertaining to leases at Leesburg Regional Airport; authorizing the City Manager to execute leases of T-Hangar spaces on forms approved by resolution of the City Commission; repealing conflicting ordinances; providing a savings clause; and providing an effective date.

CM Stock advised this ordinance authorizes the City Manager to execute T-hangar leases. At the second reading of this ordinance, staff will present a resolution setting the form of the lease.

PULLED THE RESOLUTION APPOINTING MARGARET T. BRANHAM TO THE LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD TO FILL THE REMAINDER OF THE FIVE-YEAR TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 30, 2007

CM Stock advised Ms. Branham is not eligible to serve on the Library Advisory Board because she is not a city utility user.

ADOPTED RESOLUTION 6872 AUTHORIZING THE CITIZENS ADVISORY TASK FORCE AND APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE COMMITTEE

Commissioner Lovell introduced the resolution to be read by title only. ACC Richardson read the resolution, as follows:

A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, authorizing and appointing the Citizen Advisory Task Force for the purpose of submitting a CDBG Economic Development Grant application; appointing Bill Deese, Agnes Berry, Flora Joe Haber, Leola Johnson, and Chryle Lowery; and providing an effective date.

Commissioner Perry moved to adopt the resolution and Commissioner Puckett seconded the motion. The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Puckett
Commissioner Knowles

Yea
Yea

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Commissioner Lovell	Yea
Commissioner Perry	Yea
Mayor Connelly	Yea

Five yeas, no nays, the Commission adopted the resolution.

ADOPTED RESOLUTION 6873 NAMING BERRY PARK

Commissioner Perry introduced the resolution to be read by title only. ACC Richardson read the resolution, as follows:

A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, naming the Park formerly known as “Carver heights Stormwater Park” to Berry Park in honor of Lonzia James and Agnes Stevens Berry, and providing and effective date.

Commissioner Perry moved to adopt the resolution and Commissioner Puckett seconded the motion.

Commissioner Lovell stated he is not opposed to naming the park after the Berrys, but most generally naming something of this nature is done posthumously. He requested information on the procedure followed in choosing this name. He wants to make sure everyone is in agreement with the name and does not want a group later saying they had not been consulted.

Deputy City Manager (DCM) Johnson advised Carver Heights Stormwater Park was used when the City applied for the grants, which he felt was not a proper name. He requested Recreation Director Hartsfield to go to the community to find a new name for the park prior to the dedication.

Recreation & Parks Director (RPD) Hartsfield advised she attended neighborhood meetings asking the community for a name for the park. The community discussed the issue and voted to name the park for the Berrys. She found out today two other names have been discussed, but those names were not brought up at any of the neighborhood meetings.

John Christian, Waymon Dixon, and Dannie Williams told of the Berry’s work in the community and spoke in favor of naming the park after Mr. and Mrs. Berry.

Agnes Berry said this is quite an honor to have the park named for them and thanked everyone who expressed the kind words on her behalf. She said she does not want any to be upset over the naming of the park.

Mayor Connelly advised it wasn’t enough to just pass the resolution naming the park, Berry Park. Had there not been any debate, perhaps many people would not have known of the Berry’s accomplishments and legacy. He did not want anyone who did not know the Berrys to leave the meeting without knowing their accomplishments. Commissioner Lovell was not questioning whether the park should be named for the Berrys, but wanted to make sure the process followed was equitable.

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The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Knowles	Yea
Commissioner Lovell	Yea
Commissioner Perry	Yea
Commissioner Puckett	Yea
Mayor Connelly	Yea

Five yeas, no nays, the Commission adopted the resolution.

SET MILLAGE RATE, DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF THE FIRST PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING

CM Stock requested the Commission approve a maximum millage rate of 4.500 mills per \$1,000 of value for 2003. He announced the rolled-back millage rate would have been 4.206 per \$1,000. The first public hearing will be scheduled for Thursday, September 11, 2003, at 5:30 p.m. in the second floor conference room.

Commissioner Perry moved to approve the millage rate of 4.500 per \$1,000 and scheduling the first public hearing for the millage rate and budget Thursday, September 11, 2003, at 5:30 p.m. in the second floor conference room at City Hall. Commissioner Puckett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONERS RECOMMENDED CHANGES TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2003-2004 CITY OF LEESBURG BUDGET

Commissioner Knowles said the budget is very similar in value to last year's budget, so the overall fiscal responsibility has been maintained. He did not recommend any changes.

Commissioner Puckett did not recommend any changes to the budget.

Commissioner Perry recommended making the Grants-in-Aid more equitable. He suggested the following distribution: each CRA at \$30,000, Leesburg Partnership at \$30,000, Chamber of Commerce at \$30,000, and Cultural Arts at \$30,000, and the others per staff recommendations. He believes it is duplication in the budget by adding a Recreation Events Coordinator and approving at this meeting the contract with an Events Coordinator with additional duties.

CM Stock stated the contract approved tonight for Marilyn Davenport is primarily for Public Information Officer duties and the other position is part-time special events coordinator and part-time museum curator. The major work for that position will be keeping the Mote-Morris home open two days per week and museum coordinator work. The Special Events Coordinator is not to bring events to the City, but to coordinate City services and give people one person with whom to work. The museum now has a collection of artifacts given when family members die. The City needs a person who can identify the items, determine what should be catalogued, where there are missing pieces, and what should be obtained to complete the history.

Commissioner Lovell said he is very happy the City is catching up on projects that have needed to be done, happy to know the City is such good financial shape, and happy to see the Veterans

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Memorial moved to a place where it can be used. He mentioned the positive work at the Police Department, Library, Parks, Streetscape, the Partnership and the Chamber of Commerce. He feels the City should have a Special Events Coordinator. He would like to see the City's entrances improved. He commended the City Manager and the Commission for their work.

Mayor Connelly listed the following items he would like added to the budget: 1) expedite as soon as possible the underground electric in the Carver Heights area, and 2) funds for the Dabney Elementary facility programs.

FINANCE DIRECTOR ITEMS:

A. Monthly Financial Report for June 2003

Finance Director Pfeilsticker advised he would answer any questions the Commission may have on the financial report.

CITY ATTORNEY ITEMS: - None

CITY MANAGER ITEMS: - None

ROLL CALL:

Commissioner Lovell – concerned about the hangars at the Airport. The condo hangars are not on City property, but are at the Airport. He would like funds placed in a future budget to purchase all the condo hangars.

Commissioner Perry – The School Board will be abandoning Lee School and the City should consider some feasible uses for this building. He would like staff to investigate obtaining grants due to the historical significance of the building.

Commissioner Puckett – Commissioner Puckett moved to disband the Leesburg Regional Airport Authority and Commissioner Lovell seconded the motion. After considerable discussion on the need to disband the Authority, the tenants at the Airport, and the fact the item was not listed on the Agenda, CA Morrison offered the alternative of tabling the motion until the next meeting. This action will leave the item pending to give time to gather information for an informed decision and will automatically place it on the next agenda. Commissioner Knowles moved to table the item until the first meeting in August (August 11, 2003). Commissioner Perry seconded the motion and it carried unanimously

Commissioner Knowles - has looked at the budget and feels staff is being frugal and careful with the funds. He agrees with Commissioner Perry about saving Lee School.

Mayor Connelly – 1) the country lost a great humanitarian in Bob Hope. 2) the National Guard has requested the City increase the funds allocated to the Armory for utilities. The current allocation is \$7,419.83 per year, which comes to less than \$10.00 per hour for the City's use of the building. He requested the City increase the contribution by 50%. Commissioner Lovell moved to increase the contribution by 50%. Commissioner Knowles seconded the motion and it carried with four yeas and one nay by Commissioner Puckett.

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Commissioner Knowles moved to adjourn and Commissioner Lovell seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Mayor

ATTEST:

Acting City Clerk

Betty M. Richardson
Recorder

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